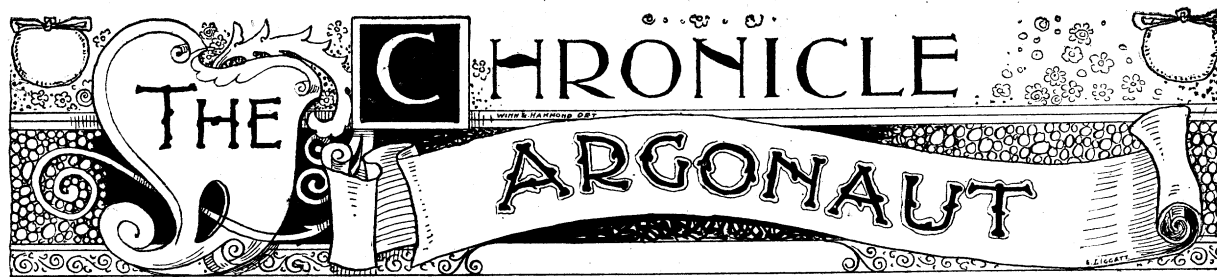


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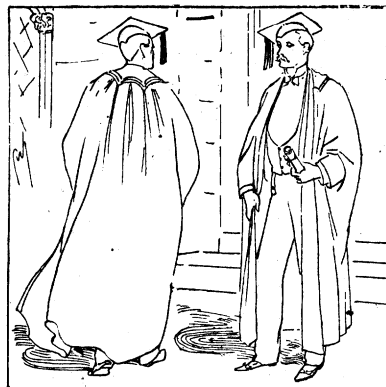
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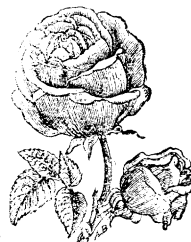
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THE course in paragraphing to be offered for the first time next semester, is essentially a course in journalism and will be extremely profitable and interesting to all those contemplating newspaper work.

THE Shakspeare lectures delivered by Prof. Applebee during the past week have been interesting and valuable and especially so to the student of literature. Those who have been unable to attend them have missed a rare treat.

WHILE the Junior Hop is in the far future and does not come until the 3d of next April, still social interests are not being neglected and there seems to be greater activity in society than has been known for some time. While Ann Arbor has a reputation for hard work and diligent students, its social events, a not unimportant part of the student life, are also becoming well known and popular.

LET every student do the very best he can to increase the students' fund for the gym. The subscription paper that is being circulated should meet with a hearty response; \$5,000 at least should be raised among us, and we have not the least doubt but that it will be done in a very short time. If the alumni see that we are really in earnest about this, and that we ourselves make some self sacrifices, they will feel all the more like helping us. Give all you possibly can give.

THE innovation of the Oxford cap and gown as the distinctive dress for the Glee Club when they appear in their concerts, has met with hearty approval from all sides. The alumni of the various cities on the club programme will no doubt hail the change with delight. With their photographs in their new attire, and with artistic programmes from a typographical point of view, the club will be well equipped for their spring tour.

NINETY-ONE is now fully equipped with the usual supply of officials necessary for her commencement festivities. The class officers have been elected and the various committees appointed. The responsibility for the success or failure of ninety one's commencement rests largely with these committees. We rest assured, however, that their prompt and vigorous action will insure success, and that the leave-taking of this class will be as brilliant and auspicious as that of any heretofore.

WITHIN the next few months will appear the five annual college publications, the Palladium, the Castalian, the Oracle, the Technic, and the Commencement Annual. We would urge every student to procure a copy of each. These annuals are issued at no inconsiderable expense, and the time and money spent upon them deserve a liberal patronage. Besides they are excellent souvenirs of our college life, and the small amount expended for them will be repaid over and over

again in the pleasant memories they will awaken within us in after years. Nearly every phase of university life in all the departments is touched upon, and therefore each of these publications can not help but prove of interest to every student.

THE efforts of those canvassing the students for gym. subscriptions have so far met with encouraging success. One student, a member of the class of '92, has placed the sum of \$100 opposite his name. This is the true spirit to display, and all who are able should follow the example.

SYRACUSE University is to have a \$20,000 gymnasium and rejoices and is exceeding glad thereat. If this amount is sufficient for the University of Syracuse with its 774 students in all departments, how much more is needed for our great institution with its roll of students reaching 2500, in round numbers. The proposed sum, \$40,000, will do to start with, but the movement should not cease when this amount has been raised. More is needed and more will be forthcoming. As yet nothing definite has been done by our Chicago Alumni Association, though an active correspondence is taking place. Yesterday our enterprising Omaha alumni held a meeting to consider our needs. The enthusiasm is being felt in all quarters, and success is almost assured.

AT this time, when every endeavor is being put forth to raise the additional \$20,000 needed for the gymnasium fund, there should be no misunderstanding on the part of our alumni as to the actual condition of affairs. In the first place it should not be supposed that Mr. Waterman is ready to add more to his most generous offer, as this is not the case. So if we are to get a gym. we must rely upon the generosity of the alumni, students and friends of the University, as well. There is need of action and speedy action in all quarters. Then again, it should not be supposed that we do not need \$40,000, the desired amount. All of this is needed and as much more as can be collected. The United States government is now expending \$100,000 in erecting a gym. for the West Point cadets. All of the prominent eastern colleges possess gymnasiums costing this amount at least

and in many cases much more. That the U. of M. with more students than any other institution in the country does not need the paltry sum of \$40,000 is a proposition not worthy of consideration. The fact must also be taken into consideration that as this a co-educational institution, separate provision must be made for men and women, and this entails an additional expense.

WE have received a copy of the *College-Man*, a new weekly journal to be issued in the interests of colleges in general. The editors of the paper are all undergraduates, New Haven being the seat of publication, with a Yale man as managing editor. The various sub-editors in the different colleges report weekly all items of interests that may have occurred, and the result is that the *College-Man* is a very readable and interesting paper for college men. It is to be hoped that it will meet with better success than did its predecessor in this field of journalism, the *Collegian*.

IT is very encouraging to note the fact that baseball practice has actually begun. This is something like and if the practice is continued in the proper spirit and with the proper regularity, the chances are that the University of Michigan will be represented during the coming season by the strongest nine that has been known here for many years. With our chances so bright, great care of course, should be taken in the final selection of the men, and that the best men should get the positions, it is highly important that all those intending to try for places hand their names to Captain Codd at once, and practice as often as the rink is open for the work. Begin now and keep up your practice until the opening of the season and our nine will go East to victory without a doubt.

It is to be hoped that the eastern trip may be so arranged that games will be played with Yale, Harvard, and Princeton, and some of the other leading eastern colleges. Situated as we are, so far away from them all, Michigan has had little opportunity for athletic contests with any of them. The success of our nine in the game with Cornell at Ithaca last spring was very gratifying and with even a stronger team this year than last, unusual interest will center in all the games which

may be arranged with the eastern colleges. We have never played ball with the New England colleges and it is high time that such games should be arranged, and our relative position in this field of college sport decisively determined and not left to conjecture.

Dr. Gatchell's Entertainment.

If Mr. Paul Alexander Johnstone, the "mind reader" who appeared in Ann Arbor recently, could have been present at University hall, last Saturday evening, he would have discovered that Dr. Gatchell also possesses the "sixth sense," which, if properly developed, would accomplish feats surpassing the most sanguine hopes of Mr. Johnstone and his followers.

Dr. Gatchell gave a dissertation on Ghosts and the theory of so-called mind reading." He said that there is no such thing as "mind reading," but admitted that "muscle reading" was a genuine power. "Mind readers" depend upon legerdemain and muscle reading to perform their tricks. Owing to the unpromising material in shape of the committee with which he had to deal and the consciousness of the presence of a critical and skeptical audience, the Doctor was only partially successful in the feats he attempted. Nevertheless he accomplished some apparently impossible feats, to which he afterwards gave a simple explanation. He accomplished an indoor modification of Bishop's well known feat of driving through the streets while blindfolded and finding a name in a hotel register, both route and name being selected previously by two members of his committee. He neglected to explain how this last was accomplished, much to the disappointment of many. The mechanism of the "mind reader's" hood was explained.

Owing to the lateness of the hour the "opening of the safe" was postponed. On the whole we may say that Dr. Gatchell is more successful as an amateur than Mr. P. Alexander Johnstone is as a professional. The Glee Club appeared several times during the evening, and added very much to the entertainment. The gym. fund was increased about \$400 by this entertainment, and thanks are due Dr. Gatchell.

A True Tale.

He took her to Stanley's lecture,
This co-ed wondrous fair,
And it made them all conjecture,
What could have brought them there?

He brought him a funny paper,
To while away the time.
Now wasn't that a caper
Worthy to put in rhyme?

But though they turned the pages,
His heart with joy was rife;
In her eyes, not in lore of sages
He had read the tale of LIFE.

THE SCRIBBLER.

The Senior Committees.

President Lamont has appointed the following committees to take charge of the affairs of '91:

Reception.—Mr. T. B. Cooley, Mr. J. Lowenhaupt, Mr. J. M. Crosby, Mr. W. B. Kelly, Mr. R. E. Vansyckle, Miss M. I. Watrous, Miss M. E. Butler, Miss E. M. Ballentine, and Miss M. B. Cook.

Invitation.—Mr. M. B. Hammond, Mr. E. M. Thorpe, Mr. D. B. Cheever, Miss C. M. Meiser, Miss M. I. Buick, and Miss M. C. Bancker.

Arrangements.—Mr. W. E. Griffin, Mr. R. C. Thayer, Mr. R. L. Sackett, Mr. J. H. Harris, and Mr. R. M. Reid.

Evolution.

Last evening in University hall, Dr. Winchell delivered his third lecture on the subject of Evolution. The body of the hall was well filled, fully 1,500 people being present. The special phase of the subject treated last evening was Organic Evolution. This was presented under the following three heads, the Morphological Evidence, the Variational Evidence, and the Embryological Evidence. This undoubtedly was the best lecture of the series thus far given. Dr. Winchell fairly outdid himself, and was again and again applauded, as he clearly brought forth his arguments and proofs for this difficult subject in his usual eloquent and scholarly way. These lectures have met with unbounded enthusiasm, as has been shown by the necessity of withdrawing from Room 24 to the law lecture room, and from there to Uni-

versity hall. The last lecture of the series will be given next Friday evening, when the subject of Darwinism will be especially dwelt upon.

93's Oracle.

The advance sheets of the Oracle have been received, and while not radically different from the conventional annual of the sophomore class, still it contains many things of originality and merit. The cover, a light brown, with dark brown lettering, shaded with gold produces a very pretty effect. The title page, by Mr. Baldwin, is cleverly designed and well executed. The prize cartoon by Mr. H. C. Ryan, shows no very great originality, nor is it deserving of the highest praise from an artistic point of view, but it is fair as such things go. The new and striking feature, that of interspersing the literary matter with illustrative cuts, is a praiseworthy departure in U. of M. journalism. There is besides an excellent cut of the class base-ball team.

Turning to the literary matter, we notice several poems, from the pen of Mr. I. K. Friedman, which well sustain the reputation which he has already attained in this line. The translation from Heine, however, shows neither poet nor translator at his best. The class song by Mr. E. L. Mason is of that typical laudatory description so common in class songs, but on the whole shows considerable talent. The poem read by Miss Ford, at the Freshman banquet, is also printed. It also contains an exquisite poetical gem over the well known signature of F. N. S. "A Reminiscence," by Mr. F. N. Scott is a ludicrous bit of writing. Prof. M. W. Harrington contributes a well written sketch of Prof. E. L. Walter's life, containing a just estimate of Prof. Walter's ability as an instructor. This article is preceded by an excellent half-tone cut of the Professor.

The prize story, "Below the Surface," by Miss Jessica V. Penny is a clever sketch of a *blasé* young man with the "right stuff" in him when the time came. Mr. I. K. Friedman was awarded the prize for the humorous sketch, which is fairly good and bears some trace of personal experience. To one accustomed to the ordinary "dramatic scenes" of college publications, the one by Miss Maud Caldwell is a genuine treat. The "grinds"

by no means come up to the general excellent standard of the paper. The editorials, with one or two exceptions, treat of the stock college themes, with nothing new or striking about them, with the exception of some odd ideas on college journalism. The goodly array of advertisements reflects great credit on the management. With regard to general appearance, printing, etc., the book is very tastily gotten up. It will be placed on sale Wednesday.

Base Ball.

Judging from the active measures taken by the base ball management, the outlook for a successful season is very promising. The rink has been secured and will be open every afternoon for practice. The plan for selecting the nine is as follows: As soon as weather permits out-door playing games will be played between two nines selected from those who have made the best showing in the in-door practice. The final choice will be made from these two nines. Persons desiring to become candidates should hand in their names together with the position they are trying for to Mr. Codd.

Every candidate should put in all the time he can at the rink. Arrangements are being made for an eastern trip to include Amherst, Williams, Yale, Harvard, Trinity, Columbia, University of Vermont and Princeton. The manager also desires to arrange a game with Cornell at Detroit. Dates will be made with various amateur and professional teams.

The plan for an eastern trip has not yet been referred to the faculty, but it will doubtless be known in a few days. It is understood that President Angell and Prof. Du Pont, both favor the trip. Although the pledge system will not be introduced, the men will be requested to abstain from everything which would tend to handicap them in doing the best work possible.

A course in photography will be offered in the University next semester, open to those who have had qualitative analysis and one other course in chemistry or in physics. The work will include photomicrography and two-fifths credit will be given.

Campus or Athletic Field?

The question of a site for the new gymnasium is forced into prominence by the good prospects of securing a sum within a short time sufficient to build and equip the much needed institution. The sentiment of the faculty is not a unit on the question of site, but of the two proposed locations, the campus and the athletic field, there is undoubtedly a majority of professors and instructors in favor of the campus. When interviewed yesterday, Prof. Kelsey expressed a firm conviction that the campus was the proper site for the gym. He said with all due regard to those whose interest in the various departments of athletics was most active, he should want the gym. where it could be of most general use to the students. The fellow who neglected exercise because it was not wholly convenient and took too much time from his books, was as much in need of the gym. as the foot ball player or the sprinter.

Mr. McPherson said: "I think the campus is emphatically the place for the gym. From what I have seen of gymnasiums in eastern universities I am persuaded that they have purposes outside of physical exercises they afford. The opportunities afforded the men of meeting together in large numbers in a hearty, informal way at the gymnasium is highly valued, and these recreation hours were among the most pleasant experiences of our undergraduate life. A gym. on the campus would furnish this; elsewhere it would not become so generally used."

Prof. Tufts said: "I would be glad to see the gym. where it would be of the greatest good to the greatest number. That would perhaps be on the campus. At Amherst the gym. is on the campus some distance from the athletic field and at Yale the fine new gymnasium is to be built at one corner of the campus, more than a mile distant from the athletic field. It is not considered a hardship among the athletes to run from the grounds back to the gymnasium, in fact that seems to be a point of their training. Five of the nine months of the year the athletic field is practically unused, and it is in these winter months that a gym. is in demand. I have noticed that in months favorable to base ball, tennis, etc., a great and very natural falling off in attendance at the gymnasium. If the girls are to have any department of the gym. for

their use, they would certainly need it on the campus."

Prof. Rolfe remarked: "As an off-hand opinion, I would say that the athletic field would be the proper site for the gym. The baths would be a great convenience to the athletes. But I have not considered the matter, and would give no positive opinion."

These opinions are typical of those entertained by the faculty in general. But after all, the first thing is to get that \$40,000!

Unity Club.

The Unity Club has just closed a successful week of Shakspeare lectures by James K. Applebee, of Boston. The following syllabus will show the high character of the selections:

- I. Romeo and Juliet; A Drama of Love.
- II. Othello: A Drama of Faith.
- III. Hamlet: A Drama of Destiny.
- IV. Macbeth: A Drama of Conscience.
- V. Lear: A Drama of Sorrow.

They were given in the above order, beginning Monday evening, January 26, and ending Friday evening, January 30. Throughout the course the speaker held the crowded house of listeners in the carefulest attention. Mr. Applebee finds in Shakspeare the solution of the gravest problems in human thought; he would so enlarge upon these lessons as to give the world the advantage of Shakspeare's perceptive intellect.

Each man must fight out his own battle. "The child that never cuts its finger before it is grown is in danger of cutting off its hand when it becomes a man." Nevertheless, this battle of life becomes easier; the laws of nature, and therefore the laws of God, become simpler and a more extended knowledge of them possible when the human nature of one age permits the experience of human nature of preceding ages to enforce the lesson.

Shakspeare in his immortal dramas, has crystallized the bitterest and the sweetest emotions of man in so simple and yet so forcible a manner as to make all, that study him, feel that they have had the experience themselves and that they themselves have learned the lessons of this experience; and thus has he projected them further toward a realization of life's purpose than time

would afford them were they left to the necessity of feeling their way.

The lecturer makes the most of every prominent character in each of the dramas, never failing to draw out the richest lessons from each. His familiarity with the whole realm of historical and literary thought serves him well with rich illustrations and lends a splendid charm to his discourse.

The audience seemed highly gratified with the five lectures, and no doubt all will see new beauties in Shakspeare by reason of this pleasant week of entertainment.

The Unity Club deserves congratulations for their enterprise in bringing to Ann Arbor this talented Shaksperian interpreter.

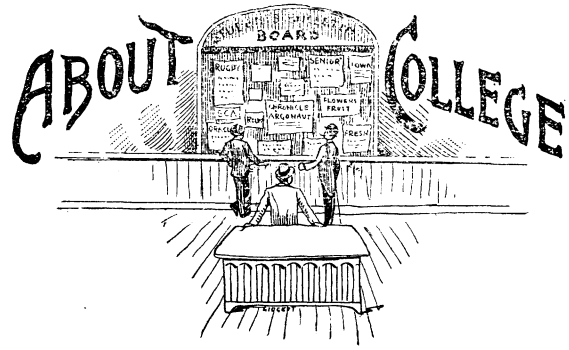
Mr. Applebee is on an extended lecture tour through Michigan and various parts of the northwest. He returns to his home in Boston in April, and then after a brief rest goes on lecturing in the New England states.

The Unity Club have arranged to have Mr. Applebee give a lecture—probably on Dickens—in the University Hall, Feb. 17. The entire proceeds to go the gymnasium.

The Unity Club had decided to donate a sum of money to the Gym. fund, and this plan occurred to them as a practical means of multiplying that gift by the kind aid of Mr. Applebee. They will pay for the lecture with the money they expected to give to the fund; so that the entire receipts of this proposed lecture will go to the *pride of our not far distant hope*.

Woman's League.

The Woman's League held a very pleasant social meeting in the Chapel Saturday afternoon, January 24. At 3:30 Dr. F. N. Scott gave a very interesting talk on the Piranesi Art Collection, of which several volumes were spread out on tables for inspection. A list of all the lady students in the various departments of the University had been obtained, and each lady of the associate membership of the league was given ten of these names, which are to be her especial charge. These lists will be changed each semester, the object being that every college girl may thus become well acquainted with at least two ladies of the associate membership during the year.



Rhea will be here Feb. 27.

The mathematical club elects officers to-night. Prof. Stanley held his class in college songs this morning.

Mr. Lamont's classes will be under the direction of Mr. Richardson, while he is gone.

Codd has unanimously been chosen his own successor as captain of the base ball team. Good!

Messrs. Warriner and Bowen gave exceedingly interesting talks to their sections in Horace this week.

President Angell conducted services in the chapel last Thursday evening, the day of prayer for colleges.

The Freshman base ball team is crowding to the front. There are already fifteen candidates for positions.

Mathematical club to-night. Envelopes, Mr. Van Warren; Hyperbolic functions, Dr. Markley. Room 17, at 6:30 p. m.

F. A. Henry, E. G. Fassett and F. B. Tibbals have been appointed the committee on standing rules of the Athletic board.

C. W. Middlekauff, law '91 sprained his knee while skating on the ice last Tuesday. He has been confined to his room.

At the Unity Club next Monday evening a paper will be read by Prof. Chas. Greene, also one by Prof. J. C. Rolfe on "Modern Greek Life."

The *Scientific American* for Jan. 17, has a photograph of a cannon ball in motion which was successfully taken by the cadets at Orchard Lake Mich.

The new Hall of the Tappan Presbyterian Association nearing completion on State between Huron and Washington streets, will be an ornament to that part of the city and a comfortable home for Presbyterian students.

The annual meeting of the U. of M. Republican club will be held at the Law Quiz Room to-night at 7:30.

The popularity of the Ypsilanti street car line suffers nothing with the process of time. Seats in the cars are still at a premium.

The Beta Theta Pi Fraternity has purchased the residence until recently occupied by Prof. Henry Wade Rogers, at the corner of State and Madison streets.

Riehl's tale "Der Fluch der Schönheit" is being edited by Prof. Calvin Thomas for school and college reading. It is to be published by D. C. Heath & Co., Boston.

All members of the class of '92 desiring to secure a junior plug are requested to hand their names as soon as possible to one of the committee. The names of the committeemen are as follows: Warden, Lyster, Van Inwagen, Burns, Cutler, Bowen, McDonald, Dellenback, and Curtiss.

On account of the inconvenience attending the recent meetings of the American Economic Association, the American Historical Association, and the Geological Society of America in Washington, D. C., some of the public spirited citizens are urging the erection of a suitable convention hall with committee rooms, etc., so as to induce the various national associations to hold their sessions there.

The Detroit High School Alumni held their annual entertainment and reception at the armory yesterday evening. A number of University students attended, and the reports are evidence of a pleasant event. The receipts of the affair are to be the nucleus of a scholarship in the University, to be founded and maintained as the Detroit High School Scholarship.

Last Wednesday evening a moderate sized audience gathered in Room E for the regular meeting of the Philological Association. The principal paper was an interesting discussion of "Voiced and Voiceless Consonants" by Professor Thomas. The professor was assisted in his explanations and proof by an ingenious little instrument of his own invention, called a "phonometer." It is expected that Mr. Alexander Bell, the well-known author and inventor of the system of "Visible Speech," will soon lecture here on his system under the auspices of the society.

Why don't we have a skating match among our many flyers?

Dr. Winchell's assistant, Miss Patterson, has returned from Florida.

The classes in psychology will be examined on the entire semester's work.

Prof. Thomas will not examine his class in Faust until the end of the year.

Ypsilanti has been compelled to increase her police force by the addition of one man.

Prof. Kelsey presented each member of his seminary class with a copy of his edition of Ovid, last Monday.

The Webster and Jeffersonian Societies of the Law Department will give a public entertainment the latter part of next month.

The Phi Kaps entertained their friends very pleasantly yesterday evening at their home. The evening was spent in dancing.

Mr. Denney's class in English Ia. will be divided into two sections to accommodate the large numbers who wish to take the course.

The Wesleyan Guild will give a social this evening in the parlors of the Methodist church. All students are cordially invited to be present.

Each member of the class in the history of modern philosophy, next semester, will pay two dollars. This fund will be used to enlarge the library of this class with duplicate copies of the works which are used in the course. The books thus procured will remain as a permanent part of the library for the use of future classes.

At the Bible Institute to be conducted during the latter part of February by Prof. W. R. Harper, under the auspices of the S. C. A., Pres. Angell delivers the address of welcome. A number of members of the faculty will take part in the proceedings of the Institute, including Profs. D'Ooge, Kelsey and Scott, and Mr. Tufts and Mr. Belser.

The meeting of the Political Science Association was held last Tuesday night in room 21. Owing to some misunderstanding in the time of holding the meeting, Mr. Warren did not read his paper on the Australian Economists and Prof. Taylor took Mr. Warren's place by giving an informal talk on the silver legislation. The next meeting will be held at the close of the semester, on which occasion Prof. Hinsdale will read a paper on "Historic Method."



Miss Weisler, '91, is entertaining her brother of Detroit.

W. B. Hayes, lit. '90, visited his friends here this week.

Dr. MacLachlan has been unable to meet his classes this week on account of illness.

Mr. Richardson, lit. '88, will have charge of Mr. Lamont's classes in drawing during his absence.

T. L. Chadbourne P. E. A. ex-'94 has left the University of Michigan and is in his father's law office.—*Exonian*.

John Van Nortwick came back last night for the Phi Kap party. He will probably remain for the rest of the year.

Miss Kate Jacobs who has been studying music in Dresden has been obliged to discontinue her work on account of ill-health.

The last number of the *Courier* contains in full an article by Alexander Cumming on "The Standard Oil Company," read before the Alpha Nu, Jan. 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Junius E. Beal, accompanied by their brother, F. D. Travis, of Cooper, left Tuesday evening for New York City where they take a steamer for the Bermudas, to be absent some three or four weeks with a bicycling party.

The Kappa Kappa Gammas gave a very enjoyable party at the residence of Mrs. Henry, on North University ave., last evening. The music was furnished by the Chequamegons.

The suggestion that last years practice of college songs be taken up again, as suggested by the CHRONICLE-ARGONAUT some time ago, met with such universal approval that Professor Stanley has signified his willingness to devote Saturday mornings, between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock to the purpose. It is hoped that everybody will take advantage of the opportunity offered and become acquainted with the songs of his alma mater.



Herr Xaver Scharwenka is meeting with great success in the pianoforte recitals which he is giving in the east.

Professor Scott has written three new songs for the glee club, one of them especially for "Stubby" Walter. His smile when singing it is well worth the price of admission.

An elevated railway station is the latest bit of stage realism. It is introduced by Oliver Byron into his new melodrama, "The Plunger." It is said to be so realistic that it makes New Yorkers homesick.

The East Saginaw concert, March 7th, is under auspices of the Junior Class, of the High School. The fact that already all the boxes and loges are sold, speaks well for the reputation made there by the clubs last year.

According to a former arrangement the Chicago concert was to have been on April 22. As numerous regrets were expressed on the part of the students that the clubs would not be there during vacation, the management has succeeded in getting the date changed to April 11. As heretofore the concert will be given in Central Music Hall, the Auditorium being unable to secure the Clubs on account of conflicting dates. April 22, the date formerly made with Chicago, has been given to Kalamazoo.

One week from to night, Saturday February 7, the Glee and Banjo Clubs give their initiative concert of the season in Ypsilanti. One of the novel features will be the appearance of the club in cap and gown. Many theatre parties are being formed among the students and the indications are there will be as many from Ann Arbor as from Ypsilanti. The M. C. train leaves 6:29 standard, and efforts are being made to have the motor line make special trips. Turn out everybody, and

show the boys we appreciate their efforts for the Gym. cause by giving them a good send off.

THE DRAMATIC CLUB.

Last Thursday evening, despite the inclement weather, the members of the Dramatic Club, together with a few privileged guests enjoyed the second monthly open meeting of the club. The evening opened with an instrumental solo, "On Blooming Meadows," by Miss Davis, which was played with great skill. Then came the principal event of the evening, a scene from Ingomar given by Miss Hiller and Mr. Free. Mr. Free as usual gave his lines with great force and ability, and Miss Hiller, who made her first appearance on this evening, created a very favorable impression. At the close of this scene, Miss Alice Cramer sang "Last Night" and a ballad *encore*. To conclude the program, Mr. S. C. Park with his ever "pop'lar" *Miss Mary*, gave some very clever work in ventriloquism, which was highly creditable for an amateur. The remainder of the evening was devoted to social pleasures. These monthly open meetings of the dramatic club, begun for the first time, this year, are proving very enjoyable affairs, and Prof. De Pont deserves great thanks for the care and attention which he gives to them all.

Moore & Tabor are the guardians of the Soph. canes.

The University Chess Club is probably the newest fledgling in the club line in the University. It holds its first meeting this afternoon at the Hobart Guild parlors.

To-night occurs the reception to be given by the Pi Beta Phi sorosis at the residence of Prof. and Mrs. D'Coge. It bids fair to be the most brilliant affair of the year.

Prof. Hudson's examination in the 16th and 17th century is set for next Saturday a. m., and is an event which is already exciting considerable interest and attention among a large body of the students.

Prof. Kelsey wishes it announced that course 8 in Quintilian, Tuesday and Thursday, 9½ to 10½, has been modified in response to a very general demand, and will be given as a rapid reading course in which Quintilian will be one of perhaps a half dozen Latin authors that will be read.



There are forty candidates for the nine at Andover.

Courtney has been secured as coach for the Cornell crew.

The Amherst foot ball association has never cleared expenses until last fall.

'Ninety-two at Columbia holds the championship in rowing, foot ball and base ball.

The candidates for the Amherst nine will begin training about the middle of February.

The Princeton Freshmen are trying to organize a Lacrosse team, but there will be no 'varsity team hereafter.

The National Skating Association will hold the annual championship contest at Berkley Oval, on January 30 to 31.

Lafayette and the University of Pennsylvania will play four games of base ball this year instead of two as formerly.

It is possible that Swarthmore, Dickinson, Haverford and the Pennsylvania State College will form a foot ball league.

Wm. M. Hilton, has been chosen captain of the Bowdoin College nine, and candidates are practicing under his direction.

The captains of both Yale and Harvard 'Varsity elevens next fall are Exeter graduates. The captain of the Princeton nine this spring is an Exeter graduate also.

It is said that Heffelfinger will try for the first base on Yale's base ball team. He is already a member of Yale's foot ball eleven and 'Varsity crew. He should try for the glee club.

The rink is open for practice now and all should take advantage of the fact who intend trying for the team, and would-be positions should be handed to Captain Codd immediately.

Geo. P. Codd, '91, has been elected as captain of the base ball nine, while H. T. Abbott, law '91, has been elected manager. Arrangements are being made as fast as possible for an eastern trip in the spring.



There are 119 elective courses open to academic seniors and juniors at Yale.

Over 17,000 copies of the Harvard University catalogues have been sent over the United States and foreign countries.

James Russell Lowell is announced to give a series of lectures at the University of Pennsylvania on "Old England."

A CHEMICAL ROMANCE.

Said Atom unto Molly Cule,
 "Will you unite with me?"
 And Molly Cule did quick retort:
 "There's no affinity."

Beneath electric light plant's shade,
 Poor Atom hoped he'd metre;
 But she eloped with a rascal, base,
 And her name is now Saltpetre.
 —*Hamline Oracle.*

The \$100,000 lately bequeathed to Wesleyan will be placed to the library fund.

A movement is on foot to hold an inter collegiate regatta on Lake George next summer, to be open to all colleges except Harvard and Yale.

DISGRACEFUL.

Proctor (determined to be severe).—What? Do you mean to deny that you have been playing poker! Here are the chips, three colors, and there is the basket to hold them. What do you claim to be playing?

'94 (in chorus).—Tiddledy Winks.
 —*Harvard Lampoon.*

Several Cornell professors in the literature department threaten to resign on account of the rapidly decreasing attendance in their courses, as compared with the technical and professional courses.

Dartmouth is to admit women as special students.

Seven thousand dollars at Vassar are annually given in aid of poor students.

The buildings of the new Stanford University at Palo Alto, Cal., are nearly completed.

The Senior class at Columbia will present the college with a window in memory of Alexander Hamilton.

Thirty-four of the Harvard Faculty favor the proposed change to a three years' course, while thirty-eight oppose it.

A recent number of the *Yale Record* contained the following:

A man who knew every 'ology
 And ne'er flunked without an apology,
 Saw he had'nt a chance
 And fell in a trance
 When he tackled the festive psychology.

The Junior Promenade, at Yale was one of the most successful ever given.

"Women is delusion,"
 Said a bachelor with a shrug,
 "Yes," quoth one without confusion,
 "And men oft delusions hug."

This little gem, which is accredited to *Jeff*, is said by the *Red and Blue* to have been "read, weighed and not found wanton."

The naked hills lie wanton to the breeze,
 The fields are made, the groves unfrocked,
 Bare are the shivering limbs of shameless trees;
 What wonder is it that the corn is shocked?

—*Jeff.*

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
 "I'm going a-shopping, sir," she said.
 "And what are you buying, my pretty maid?"
 "Nothing. I'm shopping; that's all," she said.
 —*Washington Post.*

The first gymnasium or college for women in Rome is to be opened the first day of April, 1891. The grade and character of the new institution is to be that of the technical schools, and the object is to enable young women to enter the universities.

Boston has an artist named sword. When but eight years old he was only a little bowie.—*Ex.*

The Harvard Alumni of New York subscribed over a thousand dollars to purchase silver cups for the members of the Harvard football team.

TAE CREED OF THE PLAGIARIST.

He writeth best who stealeth best
Ideas great and small;
For the great soul who wrote them first
From nature stole them all. —*Ex.*

"In the early history of Harvard, students were subjected to corporal punishment. They were thrashed in the presence of all their comrades, the exercises beginning and ending with prayer.—*Ex.*

While Harvard and Columbia are discussing shortening their courses of study to three years, Stevens is considering the question of increasing its course to five years.

SHE SHOWED HIM STARS.

For every shooting star he claimed a kiss.
She, seeming coy at first, demurred to this;
But he, persisting, would not be denied
When he at length a flying meteor spied.

And so, as evening grew apace, their eyes
Oft scanned the glittering aspect of the skies;
And when a darting star caught either's sight
A sound of kissing broke upon the night.

And so it came to pass anon that she
Looked for a shooting star as well as he; —
Nay, if by chance a star escaped his view
She called his wandering fancy to it too.

When intervals seemed long between each hug,
She called him on a passing lightning bug;
And, ever taxing her ingenious mind,
Her ready wit enabled her to find
More shooting stars in three short, fleeting hours
Than would compose whole meteoric showers.

But when she did her last pretext exhaust
And was about to yield her cause as lost,
She saw a switchman's lantern circling swing
And got him down to a steady thing.

—*Vassar Miscellany.*

LITERARY NOTES.

The February number of *Lippincott's* contains a novel, "A Wave of Life" by Clyde P. Fitch, and the usual number of interesting shorter articles, one of the most striking being "A New Theory of the Universe," by Charles Morris.

Dr. Eggleston's new novel, "The Faith Doctor," will open in the February *Century*. The story deals incidentally with the social struggle always going on in a great city like New York. The first sub title is "The Origin of a Man of Fashion," and the second "The Evolution of a Society Man."

De Vigny's *La Canne de Jone* has been issued by D. C. Heath & Co., with notes and grammatical appendices by V. J. T. Spiers, M. A., of Merchant Taylors' School, London. The notes are copious and the volume is well arranged for class room work.

The *Magazine of Art* for February presents a "precious" series of portraits of John Ruskin. Here we have the famous art critic from the tender age of three and a half years to his vigorous prime (his older age will be represented in the March number). The frontispiece of the number is a photogravure reproduction of Sir J. E. Millais's portrait of Ruskin, painted at just about the time when his writings were attracting their first attention.

An English paper gives a long account of Mr. Ward McAllister's book, and, talking of the man himself, says: "His work shows that he is of that true dandy race who are born with the manner and the air, and who call to one another through the ages, as deep might call unto deep. We doubt if any such man has appeared, since Brummell, or, at any rate since Barbey d'Aureville, who but the other day finished his noble career. There is a placid and self-contained coxcombry in such natures that passes the pride of kings. Kings they are by a diviner right, and the author of "Society as I Have Found It" is the peer of the best of them, in spite of the accident of his birth under the Stars and Stripes."

Thomas A. Edison and George Parsons Lathrop are at work together on a scientific novel, in which electricity is to play an important part.

Gen. Lew Wallace is writing with elaborate care a story of the conquest of Constantinople by the Turks in 1454. He intends it to be as good in its way as Ben Hur.

The "Unknown Library" is the title of a new series just begun by the Cassell Publishing Co., which promises to be one of the successes of the year. The stories are written by well-known writers who prefer for the once to write over a pseudonym. The appearance of this library is much in its favor. The books are long and narrow, just the right shape to slip readily into the pocket of a coat, and they are bound in flexible cloth and ornamented with a chaste design. The type is large and the margin generous. The first volume in the "Unknown" Library is "Mademoiselle Ixe," by Lanoe Falconer. It is the story of a Russian Nihilist, told with such strength and power as to hold the reader spell bound. "The story of Eleanor Lambert" by Magdalen Brooke, is the second in the series. It is in an entirely different vein from "Mademoiselle Ixe," but is equally strong. Other volumes in this library are in course of preparation.

The second of the Harvard Historical Monographs has come to hand and is an "Introduction to the Study of Federal Government," by Albert B. Hart, Ph. D., Assistant Professor of History. To quote from the preface, "This monograph is intended in two ways to aid in a knowledge of federal government. The first or historical portion is an outline of the political history of the successive federations, with some account of the literature upon each. The second or comparative part is presented in the appendix containing a parallel view of the four leading federal constitutions now in operation. Each of the constitutions is meant to serve as a practical commentary upon the others. In the limits of this monograph more extended comment is impossible."

The scope of the work and the scholarly way in which the subject is treated make it a very valuable book for all students of law and history, Ginn & Company, Boston, are the publishers.

AMUSEMENTS.

Miss Verona Jarbeau, a pretty favorite of the opera comique school, will bring her company to the Grand Opera House, Thursday evening, Feb. 5th. The musical comedy, "Starlight," described on the playbills very aptly as a dramatic piece of bric-a-brac, was expressly written for Miss Jarbeau's debut as a star. The plot describes the search for a prima donna by a musical "crank" anxious to become an operatic manager. He discovers a shepherdess with a voice, brings the rustic singer to America, and she makes her appearance at a fashionable reception, where the various guests assist her at a rehearsal. The result is of course a medley entertainment song, succeeding ballad, and ballad following song, each character making at least four changes of costume in each act.

The charm of "Starlight" is the bevy of pretty girls who are to be seen in it. Miss Jarbeau herself has a fascination both of voice and gesture, and she has been remarkably successful in surrounding herself with women who are comely and charming in every sense.

To sum up—if pretty faces, sweet voices, well-selected music, handsome costumes, and an entire absence of vulgarity count, "Starlight" should be a genuine popular success in this city, and it doubtless will be. It will be remembered that Miss Jarbeau was seen here last year and that she played to a large audience, creating a favorable impression.

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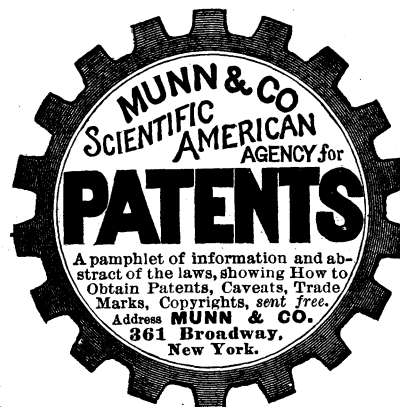
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